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WILLIAMS POWER COMPANY, INC. )	DOCKET NO. 03-85-NG
(Formerly, Williams Energy Marketing & )	
Trading Company)	
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# ORDER GRANTING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 1930

**DECEMBER 17, 2003** 

# I. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

On December 9, 2003, Williams Power Company, Inc. [WPC] filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy (DOE), under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), for blanket authorization to import up to 200 billion cubic feet of natural gas from Canada. WPC requests the authorization be granted for a two-year term beginning on the date of issuance. WPC is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

### II. FINDING

The application has been evaluated to determine if the proposed import arrangement meets the public interest requirement of section 3 of the NGA, as amended by section 201 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-486). Under section 3(c), the import of natural gas from a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas is deemed to be consistent with the public interest and must be granted without modification or delay. The authorization sought by WPC to import natural gas from Canada, a nation with which a free trade agreement is in effect, meets the section 3(c) criterion and, therefore, is consistent with the public interest. This Order authorizes transactions under contracts with terms of no longer than two years.

<sup>1/</sup> WPC's name was changed from Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Company in August 2003, for administrative purposes.

<sup>2/ 15</sup> U.S.C. § 717b. This authority is delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy pursuant to Redelegation Order No. 00-002.4 (January 8, 2002).

<sup>3/</sup> WPC's blanket import authority was granted by DOE/FE Order No. 1743 issued on November 30, 2001 (2 FE ¶ 70,699) expired October 31, 2003.

## ORDER

Pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, it is ordered that:

- A. Williams Power Company, Inc. (WPC) is authorized to import up to a 200 billion cubic feet of natural gas from Canada. The two-year term of authority will begin on the date of this Order.
- B. This natural gas may be imported at any entry point on the border of the United States and Canada.
- C. With respect to the natural gas imports authorized by this Order, WPC shall file with the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, within 30 days following each calendar quarter, reports indicating whether imports of natural gas have been made.

  Quarterly reports must be filed whether or not initial deliveries have begun. If no imports of natural gas have been made, a report of "no activity" for that calendar quarter must be filed. If imports have occurred, the report must give the details of each transaction, including: (1) the total monthly volumes in thousand cubic feet (Mcf); (2) the average purchase price of gas per million British thermal units (MMBtu) at the international border; (3) the name of the seller(s); (4) the name of the purchaser(s); (5) the estimated or actual duration of the agreement(s); (6) the name of the United States transporter(s); (7) the point(s) of entry; (8) the geographic market(s) served by States; and, if applicable, (9) the per unit (MMBtu) demand/commodity/reservation charge breakdown of the contract price. [OMB No.: 1901-0294]

- D. The first quarterly report required by this Order is due not later than January 30, 2004, and should cover the period from the date of this Order, until the end of the fourth calendar quarter, December 31, 2003.
- E. The quarterly reports shall be filed with the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, FE-34, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, D.C. 20026-4375.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on December 7,2003.

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